

ALBION COLLEGE
Act 72 of 1857

AN ACT amendatory to the several acts in relation to the Wesleyan Seminary at Albion, and the Albion Female Collegiate Institute.

History: 1857, Act 72, Eff. May 19, 1857.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

390.701 Albion college; creation; board of trustees; powers.

Sec. 1. There is created a body corporate known as Albion college consisting of a board of trustees for the purpose of maintaining an institution of learning located at the city of Albion in the county of Calhoun. Albion college has all the corporate powers, privileges and rights of the Wesleyan seminary at Albion and the Albion female college as heretofore existing, except as hereby changed or altered and with all the corporate property of the previously existing corporations.

History: 1857, Act 72, Eff. May 19, 1857;—CL 1915, 11073;—CL 1929, 8127;—CL 1948, 390.701;—Am. 1972, Act 137, Imd. Eff. May 18, 1972.

Former law: See Act 79 of 1907, Act 11 of 1845, and Act 9 of 1845.

390.702 Board of trustees; membership; terms.

Sec. 2. (1) The board of trustees of Albion college shall consist of 33 trustees, consisting of:

- (a) The president of the college.
 - (b) The resident bishop of the Michigan area of the United Methodist Church.
 - (c) An ordained active minister of the United Methodist Church designated by the West Michigan Annual Conference.
 - (d) An ordained active minister of the United Methodist Church designated by the Detroit Annual Conference.
 - (e) A layman of the United Methodist Church designated by the West Michigan Annual Conference.
 - (f) A layman of the United Methodist Church designated by the Detroit Annual Conference.
 - (g) A layman of the United Methodist Church designated by the West Michigan Annual Conference or the Detroit Annual Conference in alternation, the West Michigan Annual Conference to designate the first trustee.
 - (h) Six trustees designated by the Albion college alumni association.
 - (i) Twenty trustees designated by the remaining trustees.
- (2) Trustees serving on the effective date of this 1972 amendatory act shall complete their unexpired terms. The terms of successive trustees shall be staggered so that 10 trustees are designated each year and 11 each third year. Each trustee shall serve a term of 3 years and until his successor is selected.

History: 1857, Act 72, Eff. May 19, 1857;—CL 1915, 11074;—CL 1929, 8128;—CL 1948, 390.702;—Am. 1972, Act 137, Imd. Eff. May 18, 1972.

390.702a Repealed. 1972, Act 137, Imd. Eff. May 18, 1972.

Compiler's note: The repealed section pertained to additional members of the board of trustees of Albion college.

390.703 Board of trustees; powers; course of study; conferring of degrees.

Sec. 3. The said trustees shall have power to make by-laws for their own government and for the government of the institution; to elect or appoint the faculty or board of instruction of said college; to prescribe the course of study; to attend the examinations of the classes; to regulate the government and instruction of students and manage the affairs of said corporation in such manner as they think best calculated to promote and carry out the objects contemplated in this act. They shall have power to confer the bachelor's degree upon such persons as shall have completed satisfactorily to the faculty and said trustees the course of study prescribed. They shall have power to confer the master's degree on such graduates of Albion college or of other institutions of similar grade as they shall judge worthy, and they shall have power, also, to confer such honorary degrees as are usually conferred by colleges and universities and shall have all other powers and privileges belonging to colleges according to the laws of this state: Provided always, That the course of study for graduation shall be equal to that which is required in the university of Michigan.

History: 1857, Act 72, Eff. May 19, 1857;—CL 1915, 11076;—CL 1929, 8130;—CL 1948, 390.703.

390.704 Election of president; quorum.

Sec. 4. The president of Albion college shall be elected by the board of trustees. A majority of the trustees

shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

History: 1857, Act 72, Eff. May 19, 1857;—CL 1915, 11077;—Am. 1929, Act 112, Imd. Eff. Apr. 30, 1929;—CL 1929, 8131;—CL 1948, 390.704;—Am. 1972, Act 137, Imd. Eff. May 18, 1972.

390.705 Powers of corporation.

Sec. 5. The said corporation shall be capable of suing and being sued and receiving by gift, will or bequest, property, real and personal, and of holding and conveying the same. The said corporation shall have power to make and use a common seal, and to alter the same at pleasure.

History: 1857, Act 72, Eff. May 19, 1857;—CL 1915, 11078;—CL 1929, 8132;—CL 1948, 390.705.

390.705a Board of trustees; custodians of endowment funds.

Sec. 5-a. The said board of trustees shall be the custodians of the endowment fund of said college and shall control the investment of the funds held for endowment purposes, whether general or special. Said board, in its management of said funds, may employ committees, individuals, banks, trust companies or other agents and may fix the compensation to be paid for services and the guaranties to be required.

History: Add. 1923, Act 1, Imd. Eff. Feb. 16, 1923;—CL 1929, 8133;—CL 1948, 390.705a.

390.706 Act declared public; non-user of privileges; misnomer in instrument.

Sec. 6. This act shall be and hereby is declared to be a public act; no non-user of any of the privileges hereby granted to the said corporation shall create or produce a forfeiture of the same and no misnomer of said corporation in any deed, will, testament, gift, grant, demise or other instrument, contract or conveyance shall defeat or vitiate the same, provided that the corporation be sufficiently described to ascertain the intent.

History: 1857, Act 72, Eff. May 19, 1857;—CL 1915, 11079;—CL 1929, 8134;—CL 1948, 390.706.

390.707 Repealed. 1972, Act 137, Imd. Eff. May 18, 1972.

Compiler's note: The repealed section pertained to the election of trustees by the alumni association of Albion college.

390.708 Visitors; appointment; report of board of trustees.

Sec. 8. The Michigan and Detroit annual conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the alumni association of Albion college shall have the power to appoint visitors to said college, and the superintendent of public instruction for the state may appoint 3 visitors annually; the board of trustees shall make a full report of the state and condition of said college to the Michigan and Detroit annual conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church and to the alumni association at each annual session, and to the superintendent of public instruction of the state, who shall incorporate the same in his annual report or so much thereof as he may deem proper.

History: 1857, Act 72, Eff. May 19, 1857;—CL 1915, 11081;—CL 1929, 8136;—CL 1948, 390.708.